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October 21, 2014

Dr. Burl W. Haar  
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Minnesota Public Utilities Commission  
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**RE:** In the Matter of Greater Minnesota Gas, Inc.'s Failure to File an Affordability Program  
Under Minn. Stat. § 216B.16, Subd. 15  
MPUC Docket No. G-022/CI-08-1175

Dear Dr. Haar:

Enclosed and e-filed in the above-referenced matter please find a Letter to the Commission from the Minnesota Office of the Attorney General – Antitrust and Utilities Division with regard to participation in the Commission's October 30, 2014 meeting.

By copy of this letter all parties have been served. An Affidavit of Service is also enclosed.

Sincerely,

*s/ Ian M. Dobson*

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The Office of Attorney General – Antitrust and Utilities Division (“OAG”) submits this letter to notify the Commission and other parties of its intention to participate in the discussion of the matter referred to above at the Commission’s October 30, 2014 meeting.

The OAG is concerned with the proposal of Greater Minnesota Gas (“GMG”) to discontinue offering a GAP to its customers, and generally agrees with the Department of Commerce (“Department”) that improving the program is a preferable alternative. The OAG understands from discussions with the Department that GMG has not responded to the information requests referred to on page four of the Department’s October 9, 2014 comments. These requests sought important information regarding the level of arrearages experienced by GAP participants, LIHEAP recipients, and all GMG customers, as well as information on the quarter in which each affected customer left the GAP program in 2013. The OAG anticipated that GMG would provide reply comments to the Department by yesterday’s deadline and that the Department’s information requests would be addressed in some manner. That did not happen. Rather than seek an extension to comment, the OAG plans to appear at the October 30 hearing and will address GMG’s position at that time.

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By copy of this letter to GMG, the OAG requests that GMG provide the information requested by the Department to the OAG immediately.

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